# Program Development and Research Unit-Sacramento Field Office

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#### Outline

- Program Development and Research Unit Function in ELAP
- Streamline Certification Process
- Enhance ELAP Effectiveness
- Ensure consistent on-site inspection
- Draft Regulation

# Program Development and Research Unit Function

- Assist ELAP Chief in all aspects of program administration
- Responsible for certification of labs in Northern CA Region, Oregon boarder to Bakersfield
- Leads Regulation Development
- Leads Investigation and Enforcement
- Unit Consist of 6 scientific staff

### **Streamline Certification Process**

## **Approval Criteria**

- H & S § 100830
  - Lab director and personnel qualification
  - Lab quality assurance program
    - Quality systems for methods
  - Successful proficiency studies
  - Successful site inspection

# **Approval Criteria**

Reciprocity

H & S §100829 (d); CCR § 64821

State of Nevada

State of Washington

# Broaden Approval Criteria

### H & S § 100829 (d)

- Certifications from NELAC (TNI)
- International Organization for Standardization (ISO)
- Out of State Accrediting Bodies
- All Deficiency letters and findings from any other Accrediting Body
- All Corrective Action Reports for Deficiencies and Non-conformities

### **Enhance ELAP Effectiveness**

# Expand ELAP Competencies

- Add Environmental Scientist Classification
- Experience in Laboratory
- Hazardous Waste Regulation
- Pesticides
- GC, LC, MS expertise
- Communication
- Customer Service Orientation

# Ensure Consistent On-site Inspection

- Standardize Checklist for FOTs Against
  - -Standard Methods
  - -EPA Methods
  - -TNI Check list as reference
- SOP for conducting Audits
  - Pre inspection
  - Inspection
  - Post inspection

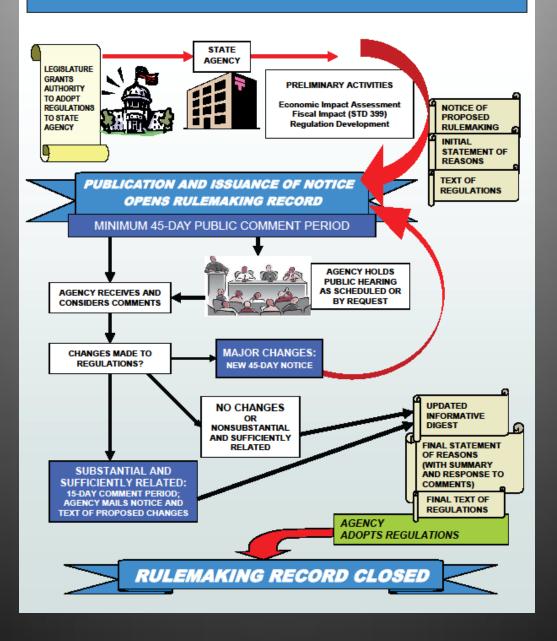
# Draft Regulation

## Govt. Code Section 11340 et seq.

# Prescribes procedures designed to ensure proposed regulations are:

- necessary
- not duplicative
- clear and consistent
- go through open public review
- and are allowed by law

#### REGULAR RULEMAKING



# Preliminary Activities

- Conducts preliminary rulemaking activities (such as research and stakeholder workshops)
- and prepares proposed action including:
  - Notice
  - Regulation text
  - Reason for regulation
  - Costs to state and local government and the economic impact on business

# Preliminary Activities

- Initiated Interagency Discussions
  - Department of Toxic Substance Control
  - Air Resources Board
  - Department of Food and Agriculture
  - Department of Pesticide Regulation
  - Department of Fish and Wild Life
  - Department of Public Health
  - Food and Drug Branch

# Preliminary Activities

- Awaiting Expert Review Panel Recommendations
- Stakeholder Advisory Committee
- Other Interested Parties
- Draft Regulatory Text
- Statement of Reasons
- Economic Impact Analysis

# Questions?